


Monday & Tuesday Moments in US History

Entrance task: Think & Listen: What does this song have to do with the colonists' victory in the Revolutionary War?

Today: Victory is ours!

David Bowie - *It ain't easy*
George Harrison - *It don't come easy*
Rascal Flatts - *Easy* 

Homework: Review Ch. 4 for quiz tomorrow



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Documents that influenced our new government

Magna Carta

Glorious Revolution

English Bill of Rights

Mayflower Compact

Articles of Confederation

House of Burgesses

Albany Plan of Union

Declaration of Independence



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How the American colonists won

American Colonists	Great Britain
* Population 2,750,000 (1/3 Loyalists, 1/3 Patriots, 1/3 Undecided)	* Population 12 million
* Limited industry	* Most industrialized country in the world
* No money	* Wealthiest nation in the world
* No army, navy	* Well-trained army, world's best navy
* Fight on familiar ground	* Fight on unfamiliar ground
* Foreign aid	* Worn-out finances from French & Indian War
* No established government	* History of a strong monarchy
* Lack of unity	* Lack of enthusiasm in England for War

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Reasons for American Victory

- * Americans were fighting for a cause (independence)
- * British saw the war as putting down a r
- * Americans were fighting on their own so
- * Americans received foreign aid from France, Spain, Holland
- * Americans used guerilla warfare
- * Public opinion in Great Britain was divided

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Victory didn't come easily

- * Blockades disrupted trade and imports declined
- * Profiteering by some
- * Inflation



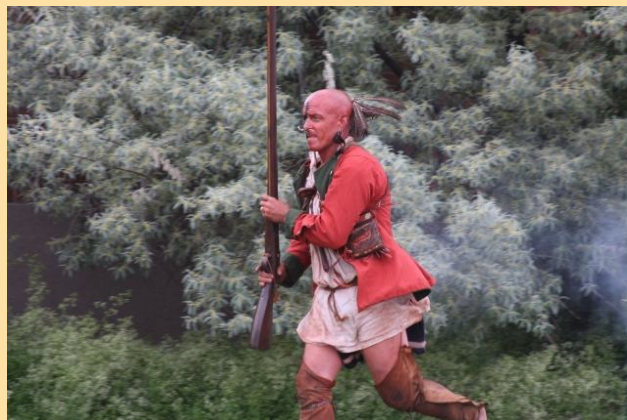
Winter at Valley Forge



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Choosing sides . . . not an easy decision

Native Americans



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African Americans & the American Revolution



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Women in the American Revolution



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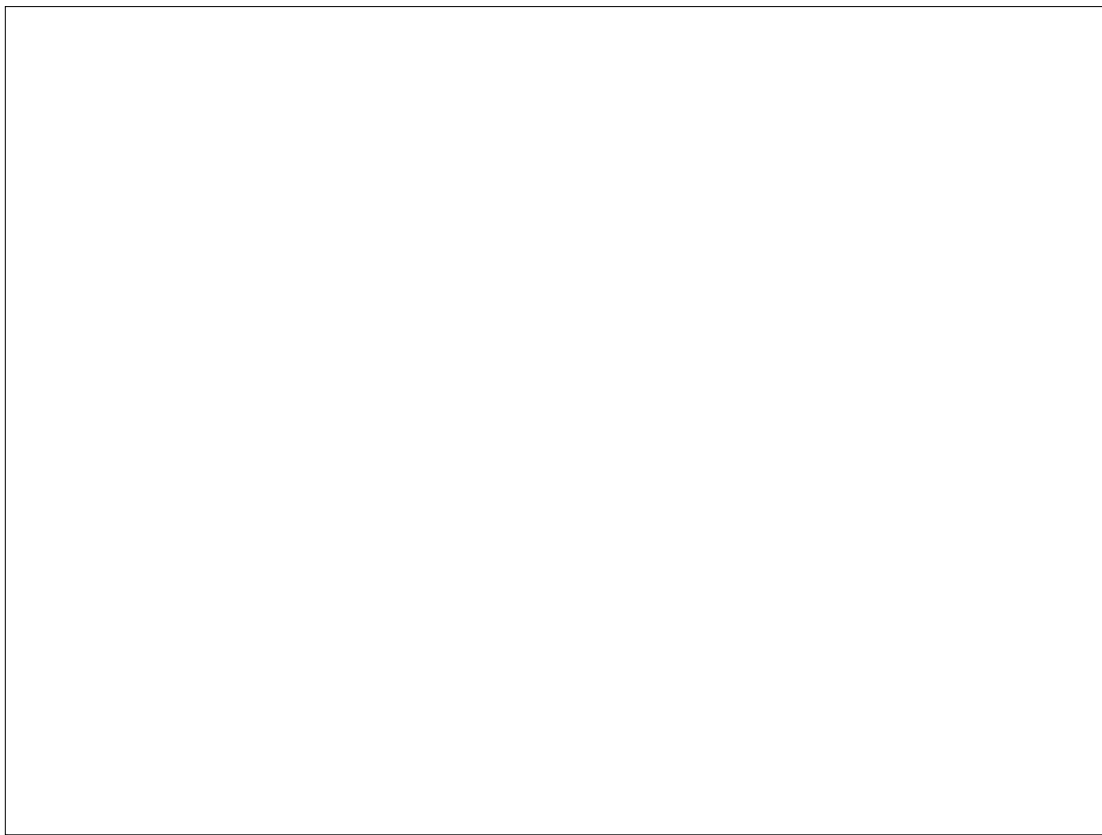
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Now what???

- * What kind of government should the free people have?
- * Should they remain individual states as most believed or unite to form a single nation?
- * If they unite, what would the new government look like?

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